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TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated 7 October 2003, Applicants herewith submit the following papers:

- 1. Supplemental Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111; and
- 2. Return Post Card.

Applicant believes that no fee is due in filing this response. If any fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any and all such fees to Deposit Account No. 03-0678.

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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In response to the Office Action, dated 7 October 2003, Applicant responds by requesting that the application be amended as follows: